beer of streament frament when the acceptant

Much Discussion and Wrang-Budget is Adopted. Remonre May Be Filed on West Improvement.

ook a long time for the dove ce to make up its mind to enter puncil chamber Monday night the city budget was being dis-Once it entered, but after the presence of Bill Ketel and the presence of Bill Ketel and Blakesley who were in more of a belligerent mood, the need bird made a hasty exit. matters calmed down, it against the projection of the room, of y away when Mayor Saxon's was forcibly expressed. When teel, after "fully understanding the item of funds for the impact of streets and crossings." nent of streets and crossings" ut the olive branch, the dove ed, but when John Johnson into the room and demanded action in his auto license fee. ve again took flight and die urn until after a stormy disthe council agreed to reduce its license from \$80 to \$50 above Elected Councilman the reading of the minutes yor called for reports of of-

There was no report. Unread a letter from Council-D. White stating that on acof his removal from the city.

I to resign. The resignation occupted and the recorder ind to write a letter to Mrexpressing the city's appreciof his services as councilman mayor then called for nomi-None were made and the men wanted to know "who in St. Helens wanted the job." suggested that Walter Blakes-

s satisfactorily explained matter which bothered very as the \$2400 for street cross.

In a sum of the \$2400 for street cross ext year as it was last year, making a total of 18 mills. The relong as I am mayor, no publey is going to be spent on 'ssue of the Mist and gives informalets in front of private proplast to pay for the improve
Hoadley's place west extending gravel 700 feet.

'ssue of the Mist and gives information in detail.

Hoadley's place west extending gravel 700 feet.

From E. G. Jones northeast corner on new survey three-fourths front of my property and do the same." The mayor plained that the money set r this purpose was for street tion on streets to be improv improvement in front of city This explanation was satis-

revision of Charter Cited. ter Blakesley cited a certain in the charter which provided on the dollar may be assessed The mayor said that "we the mayor said that "we be governed according to cirnees" and the circumstances of more. Blakesley retorted thought "we should be govby the charter." The peace is still seeking entrance, so no called for the question and the matter. te the motion was lost. An-motion was made that the buds read be adopted and it was seconded and carried and the was opened so the timid bird enter while Ketel said everywas satisfactorily explained e was satisfied with the result. upon several people left the

was a few minutes after nine ck t the time the peace dove admitted, and it remained only few minutes, for Johnny John made his appearance. It was the son budget that brought him bethe council, in other words, he do pay the \$20 quarterly lief fee for the privilege of running bus in St. Helens and he came to the council that the license fee exorbitant; that others in the cline of trade, or operating ks, were allowed to operate to be taxed \$30 per year, that mill company should pay a lief fee for their wood delivery ks. He told the council just how stood—flat-footed, and he would pay the \$80 per year or any liese unless it was made more realible. A wordy duel between the yor and Johnson ensued and Jim Donald, a former councilman, se to Johnson's add. Upon mon of Robert Dixon, the license fee the Johnson cise was made \$50 (Continued on page sight) a few minutes after nine

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HOOSIER FARMER IS CALLED BLUEBEARL



Clem P. Tarwich, champlon marrying Hoos'er farmer of Sheridan, Ind., hab been titled the modern "Bluebeard" since being convicted of attempting to poison his reventh wife. He is now serving a three to fourteen-year sentence in the state prison. It was charged he put cyanide in a well after No. 7 had obtained a divorce.

Millard road Robinette (Michigan Avenue) Road Rathburn and Hankey

A. Gensman road

John King (McAllister)

King (north)

Total \$ 13,100.00 Total assessed valuation of district.

Road District No. 4

naan schiolhouse . . . \$ 5,000.00 n re-surveyed Miller

common road from

Hill road

mile to old ralfroad grade clearing right-

of-way and grading. Henry Wasser road, ex-

tending gravel ...
Neer City road, top
dressing

J. Thomas road be-tween O. J. Thomas and Carl Larsen

places, slashing and clearing right-of-way. Beckner and Belknep

road, grading in east-erly direction from F.

B. Holbrook road ...

Everman road, rocky

J. B. Doan road, com-mence at tip of moun-

tain and plank as far

as money

o, E.

Larson road, rock-

Wonderly road,

Total assessed valuation of dis-trict, \$1,068,995.

Road District No. 6

road

road

Total

\$1,330,210.

TAXPAYERS APPROVE COUNTY BUDGET

County Court Given Authority to

road ...
Barger road
A. A. Smith road
Stone road
Anderson road
Nick Brinn road suggested that Walter Blakes inted it, but he denied such lons and suggested N. O. e. W. A. Ketel also thought arabee should be appointed no suggested T. S. White and also a suggested T. S. White and also refused to have the job liman Dixon nominated Larade be was unanimously elected. Hudget is Considered.

The annual budget meeting was held in the circuit court room at the courthouse Saturday afternoon and about 50 taxpayers attended the meeting. After county clerk Hunt read the budget, a few questions were asked and answered and a motion was promptly carried. The clerk meating was promptly carried. The motion was prom * Total assessed valuation of district \$1.094,625. Road District No. 5 Fairview road, beginning at Beaver Homes road, grading and gravel 500

After the approvel of the budget feet in a westerly direction estimate . . \$ Beaver Homes road be-tween Oscar Holback the court met in session and made come changes. An increase of \$680

LODGES HAVE A JOINT INSTALLATION

Saturday night the recently elected and appointed officers of the St. Helens Lodge A. F. & A. M. and the Mizpah Chapter 30. O. E. S. were jointly installed. Past Master Uther lark was the lastalling officer for the Masons and Mrs. Irene M. Day acted as installing officer for the O. E. S. with Mrs. Lilla M. Crouse as Marshall. In addition to the officers mentioned in a previous number of the M st, the following O. E. S. apthe Mar, the following O. E. S. appointed officers were installed: Adah, Ethel Bjorkman; Ellen Dagi, Ruth; Clara Copeland, Esther; Ethel Lynch, Marthn; Emma Lansing, Elects; Lilla M. Crouse, Marshal; Alice Quick, Organist; Mary Rutherford, Chaplalu; Anna Quick, Warder; Eldridge Crouse, Sentinel.

After the installation a bapquet was served. A pleasing incident of the evening was the presentation of a Shriner's pin to Worshipful Master H. J. Southard.

FRANK BRANCH RILFY

groom has extensive business inter-

SPECIAL ROAD TAX FOR THE YEAR 1920, COLUMBIA COUNTY

List of Districts Voting Special Road Tax, Roads on Which Tax is to Be Spent and Amount Apportioned to Each Road. Taxpayers Should Keep this List for Reference.

| Road District No. 1 | Timoney road, clearing | |
|---|------------------------------------|----------|
| various roads, as follows: | Hackenberg grade, the | 800.00 |
| On main road at Jackson Creek hills to Scap- | Thurston road, clear and | 800,00 |
| Doose Landing \$ 400.00 On Callahan road 200.00 | Girt road, grade and | 800.00 |
| T. Grant, on Miller road. 800.00 Raymond Creek road . 200.00 | Blackford road, grade | 1,000.00 |
| Scappoose school house to T. Grant's on South | Mayger and Delena road | 600.00 |
| Scappoose road 1.000.00 | clear and grade | 80000 |
| L Brown to Scappoone . 100.00 | Martti road, rock | 800.00 |
| F. L. Smith road 300.00 Apple Vailey road 300.00 | Aplary mail road, re- | 800.00 |
| A. Anderson to Grant's . 100.00 | Hutchinson road, clear | 500.00 |
| North Fork road from Highway to end of Dis- | L. E. Gulker and J. B. | 700.00 |
| triet 1,000.00 | | 800.00 |
| Total 4,800.00 Total assessed valuation of dis- | and rock | 1,200.00 |
| trict is \$1,014,645. | Total \$1 | 3.600.00 |
| Road District No. 2 No tax voted. | Total assessed valuation of dis- | |
| Total assessed valuation of dis- | | |
| trict is \$540,710. | Voted a 10-mill tax, to be divided | |
| Road District No. 3 | as follows: That two-thirds of the | |
| Down and Breakel and A a see on | total amount two-thirds of the | |

1,000.00

200.00

500.00

2,000,00

500.00

500.00

600.00

. \$ 7,000.00

Voted a 10-mill tax, to be divided as follows: That two-thirds of the total amount raised be allotted to that part of said District 7 lying south of Ricky Point; and that said amount be subdiveded as follows: 27½ per cent on Clatskanie permanent work left off.

2.2½ per cent to open extension Dowd and Brooks' road. \$ 2,000.00

27 1/2 per cent to open extension NEW MILL STARTS 20 per cent to open the Lewis Johnson road.

5 per cent to extend work on the Hazei Grove road.
5 per cent to improve Upper Clatskanie road between Nemies and Edgar Wilcox place.

Plant of Island Lumber Company Begins Operation. Is Modern Plant.

After having tried out the machin-

10 per cent to open Kyser rord to schoolhouse in School District No.
44, beginning at a point where said road intersects the Lindberg road located on the end of Sauvies Island. Will begin steady operation today.

rock and extending south.

30 per cent on the Clatskanic-Mayger road, beginning at the end of grade near the east line of the Pete Emerson place and running

Vited a 10-mill tax to be apportioned as follows: 32 per cent on main road.

25 per cent n Deep Creek road 20 per cent on west end of the Wallace road.

8 per cent on the east end of the Wallace road. 5 per cent on the Burris road. 6 per cent on the Burn road. 4 per cent on the Foster road

Total assessed valuation of the district, \$1,432,450. Road District No. 9 Voted a 10-mill tax to be apportioned as follows:

Division No. 1, Down River, 25 per cent. Division No. 2, Up River, 25 per

Division No. 2, Rock Creek, 25 per 200.00 Division No. 4, Pebble and Beaver Creeks, 25 per cent. Total assessed valuation, \$1,792.

Road District No. 10 Voted a 10-mill tax to be appor-tioned as follows:

800.00 800.00 On the L. R. Frink road Total \$ 3,200.00

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STILL SELLS GOODS ON ROAD AT 90



William Edward Critchlow known known to the retail merchants west of the Mississippi River as a west of the Mississippi River as a selice of hickory pipes, is said to be the oldest traveling salesman in the United States. He is now 90 years old—starting when he was 65 and always living up to his moste "Make your word good it it kills" His firm says he is a whale of a success."

OPERATION TODAY

gins Operation. Is Modern Plant.

After having tried out the machin-

The mill will have a capacity of 5 per cent on W. A. Hall road ex- about 70,000 to 75,000 feet of lum-

ending from last permanent im-provement.

One-third of the total amount so Dock and Terminal Company who raised to be aliasted to that part of will handle the product over their aid Road District No. 7 lying north and east of Rocky Point, to be subjected as follows:

25 per cent on the Slaughter road beginning at the end of the crushed rock and artending south.

The mill has a rapid carriage and

feed and uses circular saws on the head rig. The 12 inch edger for-merly used by the St. Helens Lumber Company was installed in the new plant and a 40 ft. automatic triamer west.

20 per cent on the Stewart Creek road beginning at a point 60 feet south of the center of Stewart Creek chence north to Quincy.

25 per cent on the Andrew Anderson road beginning at a point where son road beginning at a point where said road intersectis the Stewart Creek road thence east to Johnson place.

Total assessed valuation of district, \$1,587,700.

Road District No. 8

Place and a 40 ft. automatic trimmer practically completes the list of the remainer practically completes the list of the census in that is so far as sending out any publicity in regard to the census in this county is concerned.

SHERIFF CAPTURES

MOONSHINE STILI.

Sunday evening Sheriff LeBare, at a later date when the plant is accompanied by deputy Butler, Percy Harrison, John Dethman and James at the switch that is so far as sending out any publicity in regard to the census in this county is concerned.

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NOISY WELCOME GREETS NEW YEAR 8

The American Legion had a large brought to St. Helens. weat out to the sound of music while the dancers wished Happy New Year to their partners. There was a to their partners. There was crowded house at the Liberty The ster for the midnight matinee and watch services were held in the churches. At private homes, many fem'lles stayed up to wish a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

250.00 day with realtives or friends.

Pete Hansen will sail on the steam-ct Diana Saturday, having signed as first class scaman. The versel goes to some port in England with a car-

PRIMARY ELECTION SET FOR MAY 21

All County Officers Except Judge and Commissioner Weed to be Passed on by Voters. Many Initiative Measures Will be on the Ballot.

Official notice has been received by County Clerk J. W. Hunt from the secretary of state, announcing that the primary election in Oregon will be held on May 21. The ticket promises to be long one, as besides a number of initiative measures to be submitted to the second of the secon submitted to the voters, there will be nominations for many officers and it is likely there will be the usual flock of aspirants. The term of every county officer with the exception of White and Commissioner Judge White and Commissioner Weed is to expire January 1st, 1921, so nomination for each of the posi-tions must be made. The ticket will include candidates for the following offices:

State Ticket Five electors of president and vice president, one United States senator. one representative in congress, one secretary of state, four justices of the supreme court, one dairy and food commissioner, one public service commissioner, six delegates to Republican and six delegates to Democratic convention.

County Ticket

County Ticket

One representative to the legislature, district attorney, one county commissioner, sheriff, clerk, school superintendent, treasurer, assessor, surveyor and coroner. Precinct officers, justice of the peace and constable will also have to submit their candidacy for the approval of the voters.

As yet there have been no nouncements, but it is certain that several of those who now hold county offices will again seek the jobs, but ithere's plenty of time to announce that part of it for the primary is almost six months in the future.

CENSUS TAKING STARTS FODAY

Taking of the 1920 census starts today. The work in the city should be finished within two weeks and in the rural districts in 30 days. A M. Esson will take the census in St. Helens and the Mist understands that Mrs. F. George will work the West St. Helens district and possibly a sation of 3t. Helens Mr Proposition of 3t. Helens Mr Propositions as to the census, he know nothing of who the other census takers for Columbia county are, so it is possible that Mr. Crawford of Salem, Oregon, who has charge of the census work, is still asleep at the switch that is so far as sending out any publicity in regard to the census in this county is concerned.

ewsome creek just above Newsome water works back of Rainier. The still was a homemade af-fair and capable of turning out 6 or

welcome in St. Helens. As the second hand on the watch hit the dot, whistles began to blow, bells runs and the booming of guns or explosives could be heard. Probably half of St. Helens watched the old year out and saw the infant 1920 make his appearance.

The American About 200 gallens of mash was found and it was dumped into the creek, which at that place runs in a deep rayine. The officers watched the place all day Sunday, but no one put in appearance, evidently having been the place of that the officers were combined by the company of th 8 gallons of moonshine per day. About 200 gallons of mash was found

The still and a part of the outfit or making the moonshine, was

LIBERTY THEATER CHANGES HANDS

William Bestone who has owned the Liberty Theater for the past year, has disposed of that popular show house to H. N. East who has already

and Prosperous New Year.

Mest of the stores closed for all of New Year day and the steamer Diana did not work, but the mills went on an other cities of Oregon for a number of years and is an experienced the treaty traffic of incomers and outgoers whose purpose was to spend the day with realtives or friends.

The new owner has been in the moving picture business.

The new owner has been in the moving picture business in Portland and other cities of Oregon for a number of years and is an experienced the treaty and add additional features which will tend to make the Liberty one of the most popular theaters in the will tend to make the Liberty one of the most popular theaters in the smaller cities of the state. "St. Helens is entitled to a good show house and a good show, and I propose to see that they have both." Mr. East stated.

WILL ELECT OFFICERS

The annual meeting of the St Helens Chamber of Commerce wil Helens Chamber of Commerce with be held next Wednesday evening. January 7th, 1920, at the Chamber of Commerce rooms. Election of directors and officers will be the main business of the meeting. This is an exceedingly important matter as during the year 1920 many developments problems will come before the Chamber. Among them are Inter-Coumunity work, road and street developments munity work, road and street develop-ment, County Fair, New Depot, Un-ion High School, Carnegie Library Building, Columbia Beach Improve-ment, Free mail delivery and many other matters. It is board to the other matters. It is hoped that the members will turn out in force and select men who will do their best for the Chamber during the ensulan

Mrs. and Mrs. E. H. Scott visited with friends in Portland New Year's



The budget system of finances for our government has been receiving a great deal of attention recently from our lawmakers at Washington. A committee made up (left to right), Senator A. A. Jones of New Mexico, Governor F. C. Lowden of Illinois, Senator Medill McCormick of Illinois, and Senator Henry W. Keyes of New Hampshire, was appointed and has been asked to report on the scope the proposed budget should take and the departments it should include.